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A-BOMB PHYSICIST TO SPEAK AT UM

MISSOULA---

A man who worked as a research physicist on the Manhattan A-bomb Project will present a public lecture on the University of Montana campus Feb. 6.

He is Dr. Ralph E. Lapp, former executive director of atomic activities for the Research and Development Board of the U.S. Department of Defense.

Dr. Lapp speaks at 8 p.m. Feb. 6 in the Music Recital Hall at the University. His lecture is entitled "The Weapons Culture" and is based on his new book bearing the same title, which concerns the role of the military-industrial complex in our society. There is no charge for attending the lecture, which is sponsored by the UM Public Exercises Committee.

Dr. Lapp works with Dr. Harold Urey, a UM alumnus, at a Washington, D.C., consulting firm. Dr. Urey won the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1934 for the isolation of heavy hydrogen or deuterium, one of the keys that unlocked the secret of atomic energy.

Another book by Dr. Lapp--"Voyage of the Lucky Dragon"--has been serialized in Harper's Magazine. That book concerns effects of fallout on Japanese fishermen from American hydrogen bomb tests.

In his University lecture, Dr. Lapp will make reference to the intercontinental ballistic missiles and the proposed anti-ballistic missiles which are to be set up to defend these weapons in eastern Montana.

Dr. Fred S. Honkala, UM graduate school dean, will be master of ceremonies for Dr. Lapp's lecture.